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## **2-12 Infantry honors fallen hero**

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NANGARHAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan– Spc. Gregory J. Missman, a truck driver from Company F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, of Fort Carson, Colo., who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country, was honored by his comrades at a memorial on Forward Operating Base Fenty on July 14.

Missman died from injuries sustained when his unit came under attack while on patrol in the Nangarhar Province.

Missman rejoined the Army to provide for his son after a previous enlistment as an infantryman. His dedication surfaced as a leader who took charge and did everything within his power to ensure his unit was taken care of and on the right path.

Capt. Edward M. Gutierrez, Missman's company commander, recounted Missman's spirit and motivated attitude.

"He loved the Army, loved being a Soldier and loved the Soldiers around him," he said.

Pfc. Christopher Moors, a gunner assigned to Co. F, 2-12 Inf., spoke about Missman's leadership capabilities and the impact he had on his unit.

"He was a strong Soldier, a great leader and an awesome friend," Moors said. "He will be deeply missed."

Pfc. Thomas Perlman, also assigned to Co. F, 2-12 Inf., said that when Missman became squad leader he was a bit skeptical because Missman was a specialist, and new to the unit.

"But he took charge and did it like he'd been doing it for years," said Perlman.

Moors said that Missman was always smiling and ready to get things done.

"He always was and always will be a part of our team," said Moors.

CUTLINES:



090714-A-4384S-0041 – A soldier from Task Force Mountain Warrior salutes the memorial of Spc. Gregory Missman, who was killed during combat operations in Kunar Province, Afghanistan.



090714-A-4384S-0038 – Command Sergeant Major Charles V. Sasser, of Task Force Mountain Warrior, pays final respects to Spc. Gregory Missman, at a memorial ceremony at Forward Operating Base Fenty on July 14.

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